

SASVEPM 2026 NEWSLETTER

Research Methodology Training Course | June 2026

Programme Overview

The Southern African Society for Veterinary Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine (SASVEPM), in partnership with Health and Welfare Sector Education and Training Authority (HWSETA), successfully delivered a virtual Research Methodology Training Course from 16–20 and 23–27 February 2026. The programme focused on strengthening research capacity, academic writing, and funding application skills among postgraduate students and early-career researchers in veterinary and related fields.

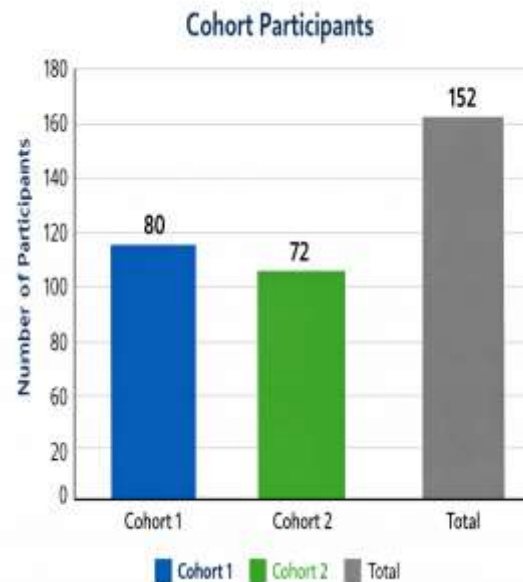
Impact at a Glance

- 152 participants trained across two cohorts
- Strengthened skills in research methodology, academic writing, and funding applications
- Increased confidence in ethics, examiner expectations, and grant processes
- Enhanced readiness for postgraduate success and NRF funding applications
- Certificates awarded to all participants

Facilitation and Quality

The programme was led by Dr Layla Cassim and Dr Meryl du Plessis of Layla

Cassim ERS Consultants. Their expertise ensured an engaging, practical, and high-quality learning experience.



Cultivate Curiosity, Create Knowledge - Unleash Your Inner Researcher...

Participant Voice

“The workshop has truly helped me. I feel much more confident and better prepared to structure my master’s research proposal effectively. The guidance on methodology and critical thinking was especially valuable.”

“The discussions on methodological clarity, proposal framing, and critical thinking were particularly valuable to me.”

Closing Note

SASVEPM extends its sincere gratitude to HWSETA for its support and to the facilitators for delivering an impactful programme. **Next training: 2027**

Upcoming event:

- ✦ 23rd Annual Congress
- ✦ 19th – 21st August 2026
- ✦ Sun International, Sun City Resort, Rustenburg, North West Province, South Africa
- ✦ **Hybrid Event (in-person & virtual)**
- ✦ <https://sasvepm.org/23rd-annual-sasvepm-congress/>

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